

Application No.: 10/091,315

Reply to the Office Action dated: February 24, 2005

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Cain for indicating allowability of Claims 2, 4, 6 and 9-11 if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The limitation of allowable Claim 2 has been included in Claim 1. Thus, Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9-22 should be allowable.

This application presents allowable subject matter, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass it to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the claims or otherwise wish to discuss this case, he is kindly invited to contact Applicants' below-signed representative, who would be happy to provide any assistance deemed necessary in speeding this application to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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